

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 116

Commending the Head Coach of the University of Kansas men's basketball team, Bill Self, for winning the Henry P. Iba Coach of the Year Award presented by the United States Basketball Writers Association and for being named the Sporting News National Coach of the Year and the Big 12 Coach of the Year.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 28, 2009

Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Commending the Head Coach of the University of Kansas men's basketball team, Bill Self, for winning the Henry P. Iba Coach of the Year Award presented by the United States Basketball Writers Association and for being named the Sporting News National Coach of the Year and the Big 12 Coach of the Year.

Whereas after the University of Kansas men's basketball team won the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Men's Basketball Division I Championship, all the most experienced players on the team went on to graduate or pursue their professional ambitions;

Whereas, despite this challenge, the Head Coach of the University of Kansas men's basketball team, Bill Self, led the

2009 team to an impressive 27-win season, in which the team ended the regular season at the top of the Big 12 Conference, and finished the 2009 NCAA Men's Basketball Division I tournament in the Sweet Sixteen;

Whereas, Coach Self has been a head coach for 16 years, winning 9 league championships in the last 11 years and guiding his teams through 11 consecutive 20-win seasons;

Whereas Coach Self is 1 of only 4 coaches in NCAA Men's Basketball Division I history to have led 3 different schools (the University of Tulsa, the University of Illinois, and the University of Kansas) to the Elite Eight in the NCAA Men's Basketball Division I tournament;

Whereas Coach Self has demonstrated the Kansas values of hard work, determination, pride, and spirit, and has instilled these values in the athletes he coaches;

Whereas during his career at the University of Kansas, Coach Self has coached 11 professional basketball players, and impacted the lives of hundreds of young men;

Whereas, in 2009, Coach Self won the Henry P. Iba Coach of the Year Award presented by the United States Basketball Writers Association and was named the Sporting News National Coach of the Year and the Big 12 Coach of the Year; and

Whereas Coach Self is an asset to the country, the State of Kansas, and the University of Kansas: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commends the Head Coach of the Univer-
3 sity of Kansas men's basketball team, Bill Self,
4 for—

1 (A) winning the Henry P. Iba Coach of the
2 Year Award presented by the United States
3 Basketball Writers Association; and

4 (B) being named the Sporting News Na-
5 tional Coach of the Year and the Big 12 Coach
6 of the Year; and

7 (2) respectfully requests the Secretary of the
8 Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolu-
9 tion for appropriate display to—

10 (A) the Chancellor of the University of
11 Kansas, Robert Hemenway;

12 (B) the Athletic Director of the University
13 of Kansas, Lew Perkins; and

14 (C) the Head Coach the University of Kan-
15 sas men's basketball team, Bill Self.

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